



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application No. : 09/902,970  
Applicant : Ruud Egas  
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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of September 15<sup>th</sup>, 2003, indicated as being final, applicant requests that the following amendments be entered in the above-identified application:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the **Listing of Claims**, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Argument** begin on page 4 of this paper.